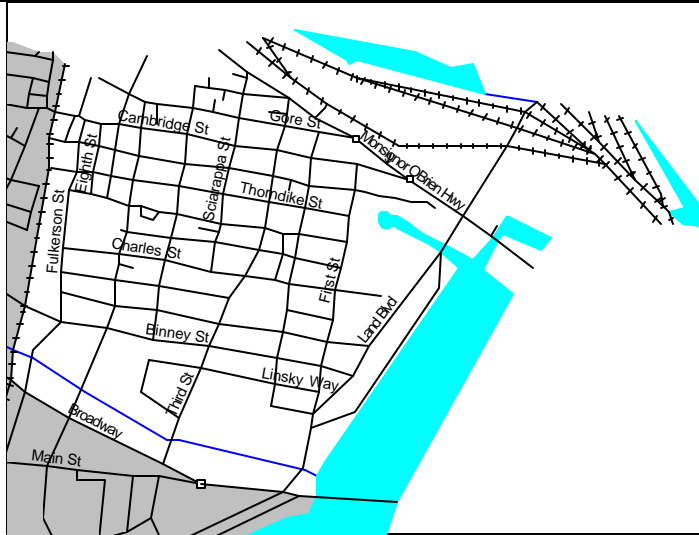
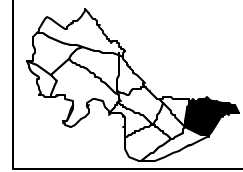


# NEIGHBORHOOD 1

## EAST CAMBRIDGE



**BOUNDARIES:** bordered by the Charles River, Main Street, Broadway, the B&A Railroad, and the Somerville border

**POPULATION:** 5,783 residents  
2,726 households

**AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:**  
\$30,281

Neighborhood #1 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 1 (2 officers) and Car 1R (1 officer). Also included are walking routes 1A, 1B, and 1C.

### 2002 SECOND QUARTER REVIEW

**Auto theft** reported no significant patterns during the second quarter. During the first quarter ten of the seventeen thefts occurred on Second and Third Streets, however during the second quarter no thefts were reported on these streets. The majority of stolen cars were recovered in Cambridge and one each in Lawrence and Lowell. • **Housebreaks** increased by 4 incidents from 2001, marking a 20% rise. The Wednesday breaks during the first quarter did not continue into the second quarter, as there were no prevailing patterns identified in this area. As in the first quarter, Fifth, Sixth, and Thorndike Streets have experienced multiple breaks, all in April, but no pattern emerged. Two homes under construction in close vicinity on Winter Street were broken into on the same night in early June. • The slight 2 incident decrease marks a 22% decline in **street robberies** from 2001. Two of the incidents during the second quarter took place near the Cambridgeside Galleria during different times of the day. Also in two thirds of the incidents, a knife was used in the crime. • The **larcenies from motor vehicles** also declined from last year's total by 18%. The thefts occurred most often on First and Gore Streets when the owners left their cars unlocked or the perpetrators broke the window to gain access and steal the items the owners had left in the vehicle. • Four **drug arrests** were recorded during the second three months, all in proximity to the Galleria. Two arrests were results of surveillance and investigation by the Special Investigations Unit.

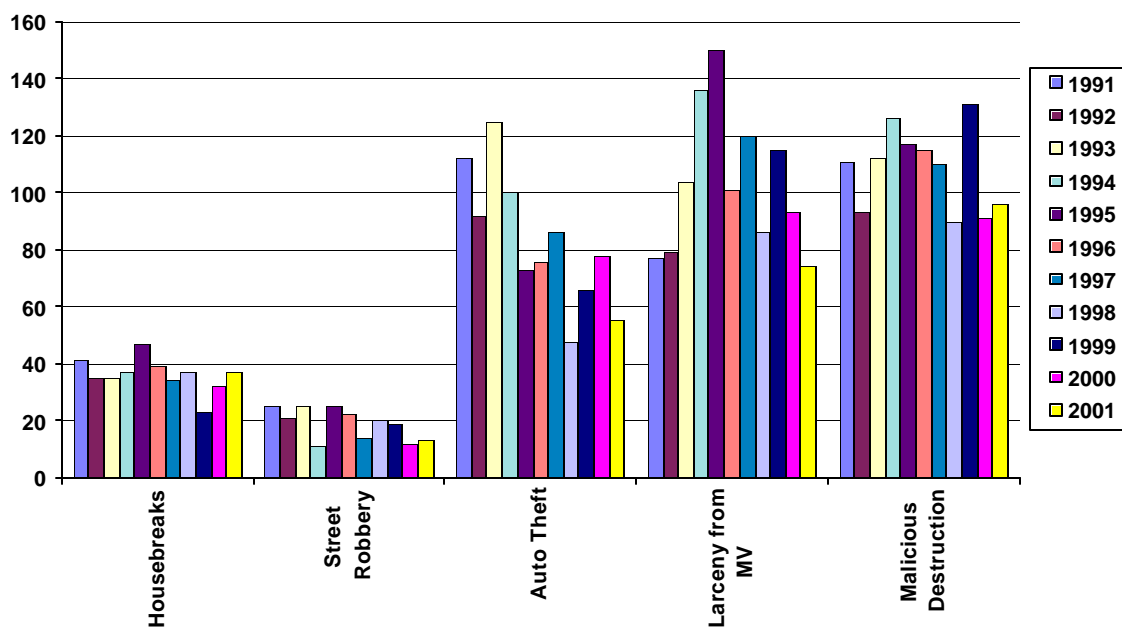
### COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS SECOND QUARTER 2001 & 2002

CRIME	2nd Q 2001	2nd Q 2002	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	21	25	+20%
Street Robbery	9	7	-22%
Auto Theft	29	30	+3%
Larceny from MVs	39	32	-18%
Malicious Destruction	50	67	+34%
Drug Arrests	3	6	100%

## NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

With the booming Cambridgeside Galleria and the fringe of Cambridge Center as its most prominent features, East Cambridge may be the most heavily trafficked commercial region in the city. It has a smaller than average residential population. Other features of the neighborhood include the Lechmere MBTA station, the Kennedy Elementary School, and the Middlesex County Courthouse.

- **Street robberies** ballooned with the opening of the Cambridgeside Galleria in 1991. Most of these are pack or bullyboy robberies committed by and against juveniles. Other robbery patterns—predatory in nature—sometimes appear on Cambridge Street near the B&A Railroad.
- The motor vehicle related crimes of **auto theft**, **larceny from motor vehicles**, and **malicious destruction of property** occur at the highest numbers here, of anywhere in Cambridge due to the level of commercial parking around the Cambridgeside Galleria, along Cambridge Street and in the vicinity of Cambridge Center.
- **Assaults, threats** and related crimes between plaintiffs, victims, or complainants and defendants sometimes occur in the area of the Middlesex County Courthouse.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR EAST CAMBRIDGE TARGET CRIMES					
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2001*
Housebreaks	38	10	36	9	9
Street Robbery	10	11	20	4	4
Auto Theft	156	2	85	1	4
Larceny from MVs	121	5	107	1	5
Malicious Destruction	118	5	114	1	6

\*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest